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The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session in Conference Room 1A at 12:15 p.m. President Steve Holt called the public session to order at 1:09 p.m. declaring a quorum present of Commissioner Christine Altman, Commissioner Steven C. Dillinger and Commissioner Steven A. Holt. Holt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Dillinger moved to approve the September 12, 2009 minutes of the Joint Session of the Hamilton County Council and Commissioners. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Altman moved to approve the September 12, 2009 minutes of the Commissioners meeting. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Executive Session Memoranda**

Altman moved to approve the Executive Session Memoranda of October 26, 2009. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **HIGHWAY BUSINESS**

### Acceptance of Bonds/Letters of Credit – Highway Department

Altman moved to accept Bonds and Letters of Credit for the highway department. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- HCHD #B-09-0033 Merchant's Bonding Company License and Permit Bond #IN 21567 issued on behalf of Beck's Superior Hybrids, in the sum of \$5,000 for driveway permit to expire October 6, 2010.
- HCHD #B-09-0034 Continental Casualty Company Payment and Performance Bond #929488517 issued on behalf of E & B Paving, Inc., in the sum of \$12,554.55 for ADA compliant curb ramps, various locations along 146<sup>th</sup> Street in Washington Township to expire October 8, 2011.
- HCHD #B-09-0035 Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America Payment and Performance Bond #105341466 issued on behalf of Grady Brothers, Inc. in the sum of \$221,180 for Resurface Contract 09-6, Various Roads in Noblesville and Wayne Townships to expire October 19, 2011.

## Release of Bonds/Letters of Credit – Highway Department

Altman moved to release Bonds and Letters of Credt for the highway department. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

 HCHD #B-05-0082 – Ohio Casualty Insurance Company Permit Bond #3-806-874 issued on behalf of Calvary Apostolic Church for Cumberland Road and 166<sup>th</sup> Street.

## Concurrence with Traffic Study Correspondence

Dillinger moved to approve the list of correspondence concerning investigations on Hamilton County Roads dated October 26, 2009. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- Jane Thompson concerning the speed limit on Promise Road between SR 32 and SR 37 in Noblesville Township. Highway staff recommends leaving the speed limit on Promise Road from SR 37 to 181<sup>st</sup> Street at 45 mph and on Promise Road from 196<sup>th</sup> Street to SR 37 lowered to 45 mph.
- Charles Long concerning a "No Outlet" warning sign at 23502 Overdorf Road in White River Township. Highway staff recommends installing the warning sign at this location.
- Timothy C. Fortner concerning removing a street name sign at 96<sup>th</sup> Street and Inverness Boulevard in Clay Township. Highway staff recommends the sign not be removed until the standard agreement for Decorative Signs and Posts is signed by the Shelborne Green Homeowners Association.

# Mule Barn Road Consultant Selection

Dillinger moved to select Cripe (Shrewsberry) as the consultant for construction observation for the Mule Barn Road from SR 32 to SR 47 ARRA project. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Neal reported they do not know when INDOT (Indiana Department of Transportation) will give the Notice to Proceed. Holt asked when something comes in under bid does the county have the option of using the balance of the engineer's estimate for something else? Mr. Brad Davis stated no, this is an INDOT award and not through the MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization). The MPO project awards should go toward the reserve projects on our list. Holt asked if we should send a request to INDOT that those monies go to fund the next project on our list; we have a black and white numbers that we saved and it was in an allocation to Hamilton County, it seems that we should ask for the monies to remain in Hamilton County for transportation use or even more specifically for resurfacing projects in Hamilton County. Davis stated the first MPO funded projects should go to letting in November 2009, the funds saved from the first group should be going to the middle group, which are the reserve projects funded through the MPO. Hamilton County has three (3) other projects pending with the MPO depending on where the MPO is on their funding. Holt asked if it would be logical to ask to apply the savings to one of the three projects that we have not heard on yet, on the assumption we will not get all three projects? Davis stated yes. Altman so moved. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Altman asked if the Engineer's estimate included the inspection? Davis stated no, just the resurfacing. Holt asked if Davis would expect the inspection costs to reflect the 40% savings in the resurface? Davis stated yes, there is a maximum limit of 15% on inspection costs. Davis will draw up the letter to INDOT for the Commissioners signature.

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### Commerce Drive Extension Permission to Advertise

Neal requested permission to remove the request to advertise for the Commerce Drive Extension & 96<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements project from today's agenda. Altman so moved. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## 106<sup>th</sup> Street and College Avenue Landscaping

Davis requested approval of an agreement regarding Landscaping in Right of Way for 106<sup>th</sup> Street and College Avenue with Clay Township. Clay Township will pay for plantings in the median, which will happen in the Spring 2010 and the county highway department will do the prep work for the plantings in the Fall of 2009. Clay Township will be responsible for future maintenance. Altman moved to approve. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### Pedestrian Bridge over 146<sup>th</sup> Street

Altman reported she thinks we have received positive feedback regarding the pedestrian bridge over 146<sup>th</sup> Street from all of the jurisdictions involved. The question is what amount is the county's request for a contribution, Altman does not want to miss an opportunity for these entities to encumber funds for the project, we need to give them an idea of an amount and they should go under contract with the county so they can encumber the funds. Davis stated he and Doug Callahan have discussed this and Clay Township has quite a bit of money and is willing to fund the third portion of this project but he has to take this request to the township board. Altman stated we need to discuss this with the other entities (Washington Township and Town of Westfield); we need to sit down with representatives from these entities to determine what kind of contribution they can make. Davis stated they have come up with a number and it was sent to Carmel and Westfield; it was one-third of the estimated cost of the match, which was approximately \$200,000 each. Altman asked Davis to meet with the Washington Township Trustee and the Deputy Mayor of Westfield.

#### **Highway Meeting**

Davis stated tentatively he has scheduled a highway meeting for November 20, 2009 but would like to reschedule that for November 4, 2009. Meeting was set for Friday, November 13, 2009 at 7:30 a.m. at the highway department.

### **ATTORNEY**

### Reduction in Force Policy

Howard presented the Reduction in Force Policy (RIF) for approval. This policy would be one of the tools that an elected official/department head could use in order to meet their budget reduction goals as recommended by the county council. Dillinger moved to approve the RIF Policy and forward it to the county council with a positive recommendation. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## Crooked Creek Drain, North Augusta Arm 2 Drainage Board Petition

Howard requested approval of the Hamilton County Drainage Board Petition in the matter of the Crooked Creek Drain, North Augusta Arm 2. The construction costs will be paid by TIF District (Tax Increment Financing) with design costs being paid by Mr. Armstrong a commercial property owner in the neighborhood. Altman moved to approve. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Liability Trust Claims**

Howard requested approval of two claims payable from the Hamilton County Liability Trust. 1) Coots, Henke & Wheeler in the amount of \$5,926.75 and 2) Coots, Henke & Wheeler in the amount of \$7,367.50. Dillinger moved to approve. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

# 146<sup>th</sup> Street and Herriman Boulevard Stop Light Project

Howard stated the City of Noblesville has drafted an agreement for the 146<sup>th</sup> Street and Herriman Boulevard stop light project with Mann Properties with an estimated cost of \$500,000. The City of Noblesville will pay some of the costs with Mann Properties paying the first \$80,000 and then a percentage reimbursement payment by the City of Noblesville. Howard requested the Commissioners allow the Performance Bond to be reduced to \$200,000 because the City is holding their money and putting their money in at the last on a shared basis. The developer is also posting a Letter of Credit to the City. Altman so moved. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## DIVERSIFIED MAIL SERVICES

# Diversified M.A.I.L. Services

Mr. Russ Bryant, Diversified M.A.I.L. Services (DMS), stated they are already working with the Hamilton County Clerk regarding mail services. Their service will help eliminate the cost of mailing equipment countywide. They pick up the mail from the Clerk's office daily, affix discounted postage, enhancing service by pre-sorting and bar-coding the mail. They currently serve 40 counties throughout the State of Indiana. They combine the county's mail with their other client's mail to achieve the discounts and obtain the enhanced service. He has met with the Auditor, Assessor, Treasurer and Recorder whom have all supported this change in procedure. DMS offers a certified mail service with the Clerk's office saving approximately \$1.00 per piece of certified mail at 800 pieces of mail per month, which will be a service offered to the other county offices. No contract is required working on their own merits month to month. Every department will be given an monthly accountability statement. The statement will give a break-down on every department, what kind of mail they are sending and what the postage savings was. From October 12-16, 2009 the county saved \$311 on postage in addition to the other expenses eliminated and this does not include the certified mail

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estimated at \$200 over this time period. Altman asked if the packet will meet the statutory requirements for notice in lawsuits? Coverdale stated yes, this is what the Clerk's office uses. Altman asked Howard if this will meet the certified notice requirement on drainage board? Howard stated yes, if the Courts approve this for Certified then it meets the requirements. Holt asked if anything comes back on certified mail? Bryant stated the information will come back on their website. A designee from each department will receive a PDF e-mail of the delivery and return receipt. This file can be printed, stored to an electronic file or e-mailed to an individual. Bryant stated the mail can be tracked by the 20 digit tracking number as well as the cause number and the name and date range. This has been approved by the Indiana Supreme Court as well as Senate Bill 310. Altman moved to approve. Dillinger seconded. Altman asked what kind of redundancy do they have in their electronic systems if there is a system failure? Bryant reported they have multiple servers that are available. Their corporate headquarters is based in Lafayette, Indiana as well as Indianapolis. They are redundant and they have been approved by the postal service as well as being an alliance partner with the postal service. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **ISSD**

#### **Sprint Agreement**

Ms. B.J. Casali requested approval of the renewal of contract with Sprint Solutions, Inc. under the State of Indiana Office of Technology Contract #10121 and will receive the 25 percent service discount under this contract. The push to talk phones are used by EMA (Emergency Management Agency), Buildings and Grounds and the Hamilton County Health Department for a total of 26 phones. Altman stated this contract is scheduled to end December 2009. Casali stated the agreement will have to be executed again next year. Altman moved to approve. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Chris Mertens**

Casali informed the Board that Chris Mertens, her replacement as Director of ISSD begins work November 2, 2009 and she will bring him with her at the next Commissioner's meeting.

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

### 2009 Community Development Block Grant Acceptance

Mr. Mark McConaghy requested approval of the 2009 Consolidated Plan agreement for the 2009 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Dillinger moved to approve. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Regional Transportation Plan

Altman reported she met with Mike Hubbard, Mark Miles, Sean White and Ehren Bingaman with the Central Indiana Regional Transit Taskforce, the group that has undertaken the task of verification of CIRTA (Central Indiana Regional Transit Authority) and the MPO's costs on a regional transportation plan. Altman stated they are about ready to report their results and in the process of trying to make contact with the local individuals within the region. They have spoken with Mayor Brainard and are trying to meet with the other partners. It has all been positive.

## Personnel Committee

Dillinger reported the Personnel Committee has recommended to the county council to withdraw the proposed Performance Bonuses in 2010, saving \$535,000. They also approved transferring Dan Stevens position from the Sheriff's budget to the Commissioner's budget with an increase in the Commissioner's budget to Dan's current salary. This will save \$104,000 between the Sheriff's budget and SSN and Medical insurance.

## **AUDITOR**

## Clerk's Monthly Report

Coverdale requested approval of the Clerk of the Circuit Court Monthly Report dated September 30, 2009. Altman moved to approve. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

# Payroll Claims

Dillinger moved to approve Payroll Claims for the period of September 21 to October 4, 2009 paid October 16, 2009. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Vendor Claims**

Altman moved to approve Vendor Claims to be paid October 27, 2009. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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### Sam's Club Membership

Coverdale has researched the Sam's Club Membership, she recommended the Commissioners consider keeping the highway department's account, which is basically a charge account with up to 78 additional cards at \$15 per card, which the other departments would apply for the cards. This account was established and it would require a letter from Kathy Howard authorizing whatever department wants to obtain a card and then they can go get their picture taken and get the card. Howard asked if there will be separate statements for each department? Coverdale stated no, it would be one statement. Holt asked if the statement would go to Kathy Howard or the Auditor? Coverdale stated it would be sent to Kathy Howard. Altman stated she does not like it being run through the highway department, it should be run through the Auditor's or the Commissioner's office. Holt asked how much is involved in re-doing the membership? Coverdale stated she would just have to go to Sam' Club and take the necessary paperwork. Altman stated it is incumbent on whoever has a card and uses this system to bring a receipt to whoever reconciles the bill or it does not get paid. Coverdale stated she would assume the statement would be a monthly check-off to make sure all of the departments have submitted their invoices for payment. The payment will be made from the receipts. Holt agreed with Altman, Coverdale needs to take the time to go to Sam's Club and have it put in her name.

### 261st STREET and BOXLEY ROAD

### 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Boxley Road Name Change [1:47]

Mr. Chuck Kiphart reported the Hamilton County Plan Commission sent a letter to every resident that lives along this section of road (261<sup>st</sup> Street/Boxley Road). He received one phone call today from Mr. John Harbaugh who stated he wants the street name to remain Boxley Road. Harbaugh indicated there was a petition passed out and his daughters originally signed the petition but he felt they were given some bad information, particularly to the expense if any changes were made from the current official name. His daughters (Shanna and Josh Jones) would like their names removed from the petition. Kiphart then received a phone call from John Harbaugh's Uncle David who said leave it the way it is, whatever it is.

Kiphart did speak with the Sheridan Postmaster and whatever the county does is fine with him, he can change it or leave it the same. He indicated he changed all of the addresses, officially, back to Boxley Road when the Plan Commission office issued a new permit for somebody. The reason they gave it the Boxley Road name is that is what is listed on all of the official county road maps and that information has been on those maps since 1970. It has never officially been changed, according to their maps. That is why the new address was issued as Boxley Road. Based on that information the Postmaster went into the computer and changed all of the addresses, for his official records, to Boxley Road but they do deliver to either address, no one has not received their mail. When you look at the map and when he spoke with Mr. Harbaugh, it is not 261<sup>st</sup> Street, it is about one-eighth to one-quarter of a mile off when you get to Meridian Street. Historically it has always been Boxley Road and Mr. John Harbaugh and his two daughters would like it kept Boxley Road. Holt stated they have had a petition submitted to keep it 261st Street, other than the Harbaugh's is anyone asking for Boxley Road? Kiphart stated no. Dillinger asked Kiphart how many are Boxley Road addresses and how many are 261st Street addresses? Kiphart stated according to the county system there are more Boxley Road addresses than 261st Street addresses. Altman asked how many total are we talking about? Kiphart stated approximately 30. Dillinger asked what is the split? Kiphart stated there are six (6) addresses on 261<sup>st</sup> Street and 19 on Boxley Road, based on 911 records. Holt stated the petition has almost everyone listing their address as 261<sup>st</sup> Street which would indicate their personnel usage is not the same as 911's. Kiphart concurred. Holt asked if the signs depicted on the petition are highway department's design? Davis reported they are not the highway department design. Holt asked what is the significance of Six Points Road in this discussion? Kiphart stated Dan Stevens, during the last meeting, indicated that when the Rural Route numbers were changed to street names in 1988 or 1989 the roads going east-west were given numbers. Neal stated the Six Point's Road sign delineates between 261st Street and Boxley Road. Kiphart stated several of the properties are owned by a corporation; at the corner of Meridian and 261<sup>st</sup> Street; when it comes off of the county records it gives it as 256<sup>th</sup> Street which is a corporation address number. The corporation does own property off of 261<sup>st</sup> Street or Boxely where it intersects at Meridian Street. Altman stated the petition looks like there are 27 separate addresses minus the people wanting to withdraw which would make it 26 separate addresses. which is close to the number of people living on that road.

Mrs. Nancy Bandy, 402 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, stated the Commissioner's letter of October 19, 2009 was way over due. The time for discussion about the official address of people who live on 261<sup>st</sup> Street was in August when this Board decided to change our address to Boxley Road without any notification. The solution to this problem is for whoever notified the United States Postal Update System that our address was changed is for that person to notify the United States Postal Update System that our address is 261<sup>st</sup> Street. Bandy has been using this address for 10 years and since the street sign says 261<sup>st</sup> Street she assumes this is her legal address. She is tired of getting mail addressed to Boxley Road and businesses asking her if she has moved. She notified them that her address is 402 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street and when and if she has to make a call to 911 that is the address she will give them. In times of emergency you can't figure out all of the fake addresses she has been given. All addresses pertaining to her should be 261<sup>st</sup> Street and anyone should be able to locate her at that address and today she would like the Commissioners to tell her when this correction is going to be made to the postal system.

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Ms. Sharon Cole, 501 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, stated she has lived here for 35 years. It was changed without a notice; they are also the owners of the corporation that was referred to earlier. The problem they have, besides that they have used this address for so many years, is the fact that we have had no notification that it was being changed. Their driver's license, voters registrations, passports, federal security clearances are all now in violation and they had no idea until they started getting mail. They were told by a Deputy Sheriff in the 1980's that it was being changed from Box 233 to W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street. 261<sup>st</sup> Street drops near the little town of Boxley perhaps that is what should be known as Boxley, Meridian Armstrong, which is perpendicular to them starts as Meridian, jogs and becomes Armstrong which is right next door to them, it is their "T" road. Cole questioned John Harbaugh's statement; she thought he lived on Six Points Road as opposed to 261<sup>st</sup> Street. Their corporation office is on 256<sup>th</sup> Street; their residence is on 261<sup>st</sup> Street.

Mr. Bob Boyles stated they own a property at 354 W. Boxley Road for 15 years. At the time they purchased the property it was farmland and he wanted an address for the property, the post office gave them 556 Boxley Avenue. They built and moved onto this road about two (2) years ago. It took him one month between going to the post office to the plan commission back and forth, Mr. Garcia was postmaster when Boyles started this and did not know what was going on and it was bounced back to the planning commission. He had a letter and gave it to the post office with a copy going to the planning commission giving him the old Boxley Avenue address which the plan commission said no. They gave him an address of 354 W. Boxley Road; this was not something he had a choice on. Across the street is 555 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, which was confusing not only to UPS but also to Federal Express. That has all been straightened out. He has never lost any mail from the post office. When they first moved in by the Cole's, at Meridian, there is a sign that says W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street/Boxley Road. About two (2) weeks ago they changed it to a sign that says 261<sup>st</sup> Street and one sign below it in brown saying Boxley Road. They are in the same position as everyone else which is to get this straightened out. If it is not going to stay with both names then somebody is going to have to change their address, he is not opposed to that but he wants to know this will not go on and on. Holt asked about the petition, Boyles asked if Joe Bilby signed the petition? Holt stated yes. Boyles stated Bilby lives west of Jerkwater Road which has no relationship to what they are doing here. Boyles stated on the 2000 county map it shows just west of Six Points Road the road makes a jog and that is where it was changed. To the west of that is 261st Street; to the east all the way to Meridian is Boxley Road. Boyles stated it is his understanding that the petition collector went to the county line to get signatures, whether that is right or wrong the Commissioners would have to check that. Altman stated there are six (6) signatures of folks that live at 2000 or further numbers up. Dillinger stated it spans from 501 to 3630. Boyles stated from 500 on it would not be; when he spoke with John Harbaugh this morning he has four (4) properties located at 686 and 684 area. He is just about 200 yards from Six Points Road and another 300 to 400 yards going west would be the end of where the controversy is. Holt asked Kiphart what the address would be for the western end of the Boxley delineation? Kiphart stated about 909. Altman stated if you believe the Six Points Road sign the corresponding 261st Street is 900 to 899. Holt stated Mike Hatton would not be part of this controversy? Hatton is 951, Bilby is at 3695.

Mr. David Cole, 501 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, stated if you enter this address in any map software it pops up exactly where his house is located and has for years. That address was changed when enhanced 911 went in and they have lived with this address. The argument that roads turn and change is ludicrous at 202<sup>nd</sup> Street, it has a curve in it, 256<sup>th</sup> and 266<sup>th</sup> Streets turn at SR 31, curves are not flat they turn.

Mr. Herschel Gordon Towers, 877 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, stated he has lived at this address for 75 years and has just started receiving mail addressed to Boxley Road. He sees no reason to change the address; he is 75 years old and does not like change. Somebody said mail would be delivered regardless of the address but he has already had one incident where his son ordered something through EBay with the address of 261<sup>st</sup> Street and they would not deliver it. They emailed him back telling him there is no such address. He had to tell them the address was Boxley Road. Towers would like to know who started this to make it Boxley Road? He has lived in this area 75 years, with exception of three (3) years in the service and has never received any mail for Boxley Road. Who wanted it changed? Why did they want it changed? My mailman has enough trouble putting mail in my mailbox without having another change. He would not want the mailman's job of delivering mail but the more changes made in the postal system the more confusion will arise. Why change it? Everybody was happy with 261<sup>st</sup> Street; can't we just leave it alone?

Mr. Ronald James Smith, Jr. and Rhonda Smith, 744 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, would like to have their names added to the petition. He was on a military installation and came back to find the address changed. He does primarily work on government bases and his driver's license has to match in order for him to do this type of work. If the address changes he will have to completely change everything for an installation he will be starting in Alabama. He has lived here for 14 years; at one end it says Boxley Road at the other end it says 261<sup>st</sup> Street. As long as he can remember, except for a couple of new homes being built in the last couple of years, everyone has had the 261<sup>st</sup> Street address. This is all news to him. They did not receive any notification and is disappointed in his bank. The address from the bank has changed to Boxley Road with a statement underneath stating that they will not change your address without personal verification. However this started now everything is changing; his next stop today is to go by the bank and ask how his address was changed without his permission. Smith stated John Harbaugh is his neighbor and does live in this area; it is about one-quarter mile west of Six Points Road where it curves, 261<sup>st</sup> Street is a straight road from the Hamilton-Boone County Line to Old Meridian Street (north-south road) off of SR 31.

Mr. Tony Baily, 977 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street, stated he is the person who drew up the petition. The reason it was drawn up was because they had no notification of the change of address or we would not be here today. As far as the length of the road he took the petition on it was because he based it on the United States postal map. It shows Boxley Road/261<sup>st</sup>

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Street from the county line all the way to Meridian. After speaking with other people he thought the change was due to a 911 issue. He looked at the actual road signs and it did not give him enough information so he drew his own road signs to help alleviate some of the confusion when we go from Six Points Road you pull up and see 261<sup>st</sup> or Boxley Road, either one, and you have a street address of 500 you don't know which way to turn because they all live west on that side. He has lived there for 54 years and watched traffic because he could see people come to the intersection, where there is no Stop sign, they will stop and look at the sign and be looking for 500 West 261<sup>st</sup> Street and they will distinctly turn west and then he will see them come back. He lives at 977 W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street which is the address given to him when the 911 system went in. If he had a notification of a road name change he would have abided by it with no problem. He would have not liked the cost but he would have changed it. They had to change from a rural route to this new address and that is what he had received, but the post office has their map showing Boxley/261<sup>st</sup> Street all the way from the county line to Meridian and that is why he took his survey for that length of road.

Mr. Bill Garcia, Sheridan Postmaster, stated the residents have been coming to his office for a month and he understands their frustration. When Mr. Boles address request came in he brought in something from Hamilton County that says it is Boxley Road. Garcia stated they can not have Boxley Road in the middle of 261<sup>st</sup> Street so his district office called the Hamilton County Plan Commission and at that time they looked at it and determined it was Boxley Road. The post office left it as 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Boxley Road. Garcia tried to enter both addresses into the postal system but it would not let him have two street names, they then switched it to Boxley Road. With the electronic age every time a letter is sent the envelope asks for address service request. When the letter goes to Boxley Road and it says 261<sup>st</sup> Street it sends the sender the correct address so all of their mail, everyday mail is being changed. The bank gets an electronic statement back saying the address is Boxley Road and slowly but surely all of their mail will be changed eventually to Boxley Road. There is no way of making it both names, it is not possible on the system.

Dillinger asked Kiphart what would have to be done to clear this up? What if we want to make this all 261<sup>st</sup> Street, what has to happen? Kiphart stated first he would coordinate with 911, the Tax Mapping Department of the Auditor's office, the Postmaster and a letter would have to be sent to everyone that lives on that road notifying them that six months from now what their official address will be and make sure everyone knows about it. Howard recommended including in the motion that all departments in Hamilton County are directed to change all records that they own. Holt requested there will be no six months of limbo. Garcia stated they will deliver to any address but in order to stop this from progressing a decision needs to be made today. Dillinger stated if we made the green street sign read 261<sup>st</sup> Street and the brown street sign, which is an historical notation sign, read Boxley Road. Altman asked if we could include the word "Historic" on the brown sign? Dillinger stated the county has created a grid system that the east-west roads are numbered roads so it does not make sense to not make this a numbered road. Dillinger moved to make the entire section of that road 261<sup>st</sup> Street. Altman confirmed it is from the Boone County Line to Meridian Street? Dillinger stated yes. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiphart stated all of the official maps will have to be changed to 261<sup>st</sup> Street. Holt asked Kiphart to contact 911 to make sure it is changed in their system today.

Holt called a break in the meeting. [2:23] Holt called the meeting back to order. [2:35]

## INSURANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

# Health Insurance Coverage

Ms. Sheena Randall requested permission to allow health insurance coverage for three (3) individuals that have pending good health requests as long as they receive approval from the Meritain Medical Review Board prior to November 1, 2009 their effective date will become November 1, 2009. Dillinger so moved. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## Meritain Service Agreement

Howard thanked John Elmer and One Source Insurance for their help in negotiating the Meritain Service Agreement. There were numerous issues that needed to be cleaned up and concessions were made on the major issues. One of the issues was that every change that was made meant the contract coming back to us would be a total new contract. We have been assured that in the future the agreement would only be modified by addendum. Altman stated does this not make you wonder if we have picked the right firm if they can not handle a simple insurance contract. Howard stated Meritain has a new person assigned to our area, he is based out of Evansville and we need to go forward with the agreement. There are provisions of termination and cancellation. Dillinger stated the Insurance Committee has informed Meritain of what we want and they are not getting anymore chances. Randall and Howard confirmed that all of the issues have been addressed. Dillinger moved to approve the agreement. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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### **Budget Reduction Recommendations**

Dillinger stated the Insurance Committee has made the following recommendations to help with the requested budget cuts needed for the 2010 county budget. The county's medical program is a very comprehensive program. Based on a comparison of other entities health programs we still offer a very favorable program. The recommendations are:

- Single contribution from \$30 to \$50 per pay
- Family contribution from \$55 to \$75 per pay

This is a pre-tax contribution and will save the program \$423,280.

- Increase urgent care visit co-pay from \$35 to \$50 for a potential savings of \$10,000
- Change emergency room visit penalty from \$75 to \$125 for a potential savings of \$10,750
- Single in network deductible from \$200 to \$250.
- Single out of network from \$200 to \$250
- Family in network deductible from \$400 to \$500.
- Family out of network deductible from \$800 to \$1,000.

The deductible savings to the program is potentially \$48,600.

Dillinger stated these are changes that could be made and affect the employees as little as possible and still have a program that is far superior to anything on the market.

Altman asked if the county saves money if someone goes to their physician verses urgent care? Elmer stated it would depend on what charges went through that physician, as a blanket statement the lowest cost of care is a routine physician office visit, then urgent care and then emergency room. Altman asked if we know the differential? Elmer stated no. Altman stated she is looking at the potential savings and we are making a steep penalty for the emergency room, which is the most expensive, and it is an intermediate step that a family can take when they are feeling very concerned. Altman does not know if the \$15 we are going to charge on top of that is going to be a deterrent that she wants to see. Dillinger stated it is not designed to be a deterrent. It is designed to be an adjustment in our program to bring it a little bit more in line with competitive programs. Altman stated if she goes to a physician because you can get into them she will pay \$10 but if she can't get worked in and she feels she has to go to an emergency room she has to pay \$50 under the new plan; she has a problem with that one. Elmer stated there is a significance difference, an urgent care is approximately double in costs and they are trying to prevent people using it out of convenience. Many health plans have a \$35 office visit co-payment and the thought is we are trying to not have people think it is just as easy to go to urgent care and only pay \$35 and it is really costing the health plan double what it would cost. The point is valid. Randall stated another program they are promoting are the Minute Clinics through CVS and hopefully at other locations. They are open until 8:00 p.m. and they have Saturday and Sunday hours. Altman asked what do we pay to go to the Minute Clinic? Randall stated \$10 and they charge us less than a physician office visit. Dillinger stated they have also discussed the possibility of having some kind of in-house clinic. This is something the committee wants to look into more. Dillinger discouraged increasing the prescription drug deductible because we did that last year. Dillinger moved to pass the recommendations of the Insurance Committee effective January 2010. Holt seconded. Altman stated she is having problems with the urgent care savings and what it is telling people. Altman moved to amend the motion to remove the urgent care co-pay visit increase. Dillinger seconded. Motion to approve the amendment passed unanimously. Motion to pass the motion as amended passed unanimously.

Dillinger stated he had an employee inform him that when they tried to use the Riverview Urgent Care Clinic the invoicing was treated as an emergency room visit. Elmer will check into it.

## Flex Meetings

Randall reported she will be holding the Flexible Spending meetings on November 2 and 4, 2009. Due to the plan changes Randall feels it is important that every employee attend one of these meetings. Randall asked the Commissioners to consider making this a required meeting. The meeting will be videotaped for those employees who can not attend one of the meetings. Altman so moved. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Carter clarified that it is a required meeting or they can view the video? Dillinger stated yes.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

## **Budget Reductions**

Mr. Dan Stevens stated he will work with the Auditor regarding the 3% budget reductions.

## **Encumbrances**

Stevens asked the Commissioners to let him know of funds that will need to be encumbered from the 2009 Budget. Altman stated there was an INDOT match for CIRTA on a State study that was encumbered last year and part of the monies will need to be encumbered this year.

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### Mendenhall & Associates Claim

Stevens stated the claim from Mendenhall & Associates was for work done on a TIGER Grant application for the Hoosier Heritage Port Authority. After researching the claim it was determined it is a bill to be paid by the county. Altman stated it is for a grant to replace the track for the Port Authority and she had requested approval to pay for her services from county funds. Altman stated she intended the payment to come out of the \$50,000 line item for grants. Holt stated if it is for the benefit of the tracks why would the Port Authority not pay for that? Altman stated the Port Authority was resisting it because of Larry Hopkins wanting to shovel all of the other stuff into the dirt and ask for a \$600 million grant out of TIGER funds because they have given up on federal funding. Altman moved to pay the claim. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Copier

Stevens stated he did get the new copier for \$500 less than originally thought for a total cost of \$6,946. Dillinger moved to approve. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **IACC Conference**

Stevens reported all three Commissioners are registered for the IACC (Indiana Association of County Commissioners) Conference for December 1-3, 2009. Stevens has also registered himself and will attend the conference.

### Envoy's Fee Structure for Security Upgrades

Stevens reported Envoy has submitted a fee breakdown for managing the security upgrades for the Judicial Center and Historic Courthouse. Mr. John Barbee stated a portion of it will be billed per hour; the \$10,000 will be to evaluate the proposals, to review the bidding requirements, to prepare an implementation schedule and to prepare a final budget. Barbee was only involved in receiving two out of the 10 proposals and before he committed to a final budget he wants to review all of the proposals. On the assumption the proposals don't change Barbee will request approval of the budget. There is a fixed fee for administration work done by his office and the hourly rates proposed for project and site managers is at an hourly rate with a \$27,000 not to exceed limit. Altman asked at what level will this be staffed? Barbee stated himself and the lower level site manager will be the primary and then a senior level site manager if needed. Altman stated this seems high for the scope of work. Barbee stated he won't deny that but it is an economy of scales, when putting in all of the pieces it did not go up but we still have to go through the same motions and there are a certain level of hours involved in any project. They are not staffing it full time so they will be making several trips back and forth and the hours involved. Dillinger so moved. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Duke Energy Bill**

Stevens stated a Duke Energy bill has been outstanding since 2004; Duke has been unable to come up with the documentation that we owe the money. Altman stated then we don't owe the money and tell them we would be happy to pay it when they can show us the documentation that shows the differential. Stevens stated we have gone through this process. Apparently the documentation, if any exists, was lost between the transition from Cinergy to Duke. The total amount is \$2,971 and continues to show up on the bill for the Community Corrections building. Holt asked if we could send a letter to the IURC (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission) that chronicles the history? Someday we will have spent more time on this than what it is worth. Altman stated we can't pay the bill. Howard recommended we respond back with the documentation of all of the bills we have paid during this period and needs to be removed from the bill and if it is not Hamilton County will send it to the IURC for their consideration. Consensus was to follow Howard's recommendation.

## Front Desk Coverage

Stevens reported he has made arrangements to cover the front desk during Rosie's lunch hour.

## Buckland & Associates

Stevens has discussed the Buckland & Associates invoice with Dan Buckland whom explained the increase in the invoice over the original proposal was due to the added costs involved with the two (2) new buildings (Community Corrections and Health Department). Stevens recommended paying the invoice. Dillinger moved to approve. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## Transfer of Asset

Stevens requested approval and signature on a Capital Asset Notification Form for the transfer of a vehicle from the County Commissioners to the Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District. Altman asked how was it resolved that we moved an asset from the county to solid waste without an interlocal agreement? Ms. Kim Rauch stated the shifting of the assets was part of the interlocal agreement approved by the Commissioners when HHW (Household Hazardous Waste) was made its own entity. Dillinger moved to approve. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## Janus Transportation Grant Agreement

Stevens requested approval of the INDOT Transportation Grant agreement for the Janus Transportation program. Dillinger so moved. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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### AT&T Boring at Jail Site

Stevens informed the Commissioners that AT&T will be boring for a fiber optic line from Cumberland Road to the current Jail site. They understand specifically and clearly they are to not cut anything underground when they do this bore. No date has been set for the boring. A pre-dig conference will be held with Envoy and the Buildings & Grounds staff.

### Spay Neuter Clinic Request for Capital Improvements

Holt reported he has spoken with Tammy Sollenberger of the Low Cost Spay Neuter Clinic regarding their request for capital improvements to their building. Holt informed her that the county will not be doing any capital improvements at this time. Sollenberger will speak with her Board to see if they raised the money if we would permit them to make the improvements. Holt told her there was a history of that with the humane society and she is going to talk to her Board and then come back to the Commissioners.

### Request to Advertise for Vehicles

Mr. Kenton Ward requested permission to advertise for the purchase of two (2) vehicles, they are replacement trucks. The funds are in this year's budget, he has \$60,000 available for the trucks. He will be replacing the 1997 and 2001 trucks and will be rotating out of the fleet a 1989 and 1993 truck. Dillinger asked what are they used for? Ward stated for the Inspectors and will be plow ready for snow removal. They are not take-home vehicles. Dillinger moved to approve. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Ward asked if he trades in the old trucks or put them in the county auction? Howard recommended bidding the trade-in as an alternate and see what the marginal cost is.

Holt asked where are the keys kept for the snow ready vehicles? Ward stated each employee has a key at home and another key is on the Board in their office. Holt asked if he and the highway department have a system worked out as to how they are pressed into service? Ward stated yes, usually they know when snow is coming and the employee on-call will usually have enough time to get into the truck and get them ready for the route, he has three employees with CDL's (Commercial Drivers License). He has two (2) vehicles current for snow plowing and with the new vehicles it will give him three (3). Holt asked if it requires a CDL to push snow with a pick-up truck? Ward stated he thought it did. Davis stated not with a pick-up truck. Holt asked if that means Davis could double or triple shift the vehicles? Ward can ask his staff, now that they know they don't need a CDL. Holt asked Davis and Ward to determine if they can run 24 hours.

## Consolidated 911 Center

Howard reported it has been made known to him that there may be some disputes concerning the consolidated 911 Center. The dispute resolution center of the interlocal agreement provides that one of the four people is one Commissioner from Hamilton County chosen by the Hamilton County Commissioners. Sheriff Carter has indicated they may need a meeting and requested the Board designate a Commissioner. Dillinger moved to appoint Altman. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Dillinger moved to adjourn. Altman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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### **Commissioner Correspondence**

Hamilton County Park Bond Memorandum from Mike Howard
City of Noblesville Notice of Sidewalk Improvements
Precinct Establishment Order from Indiana Secretary of State
Low Cost Spay Neuter Clinic Letter Request for Capital Improvements
Weights & Measures Monthly Report
Ivy Tech "Excellence in Leadership Institute"
IDEM Notice of Approval of Sanitary Sewer Work
1080 feet East of Olio Road on North side of 126<sup>th</sup> Street - Fishers
IDEM Notice of Sewer Permit Application
Pleasant Street Sewer Extension – Noblesville

Present

Christine Altman, Commissioner Steven C. Dillinger, Commissioner Steven A. Holt, Commissioner Dawn Coverdale, Auditor

Dan Stevens, Administrative Assistant to Commissioners

Kim Rauch, Administrative Assistant to Auditor

Michael Howard, Attorney

Doug Carter, Sheriff

Brad Davis, Highway Director

Jim Neal, County Highway Engineer

Joel Thurman, Highway Project Engineer

Brandi Wariner, Highway Public Service Representative

Christopher Burt, Highway Engineering Technician

Matt Knight, Highway Bridge Program Engineer

Kathy Howard, Highway Department Administrative Manager

Bob Davis, Highway Superintendent

BJ Casali, ISSD

Sheena Randall, Human Resources Director

Kenton Ward, Surveyor

Chuck Kiphart, Plan Commission

Darren Wilson, Surveyor's Office

John Elmer, One Source Insurance

Russ Bryant, Diversified M.A.I.L. Services, Inc.

Mark McConaghy, Noblesville Housing Authority

Nancy Bandy, 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Boxley Road Name Change

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Tony Baily, Sr. 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Boxley Road Name Change

Sharon Cole, 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Boxley Road Name Change

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Bob Boyles, 261st Street and Boxley Road Name Change

Ronald James Smith, Jr., 261st Street and Boxley Road Name Change

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Bill Garcia, Sheridan Postmaster

Bruce Breeden, Cripe

Patti Smith, BLN

Becki Wise-Kent, USI

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